

I was first licensed in 1973 when code was a requirement, not an option. However, I strongly support petition RM-10784. When the no-code license was first proposed, some predicted no-code license would lead to the demise of the amateur radio service. Fortunately, the no-code license was approved and we saw an increase in new licensees. Many of the no-code operators have gotten involved in weather spotting and public service communication. As a whole, they have proven themselves to be reliable, responsible operators.

I believe removal of the code requirement for General class applicants will lead to many no-code operators upgrading and getting involved in traffic and public service nets. This can only help our service.